IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Opem et al. Attorney Docket No.: 43315-219115

Application No.: 10/539,629 : Art Unit: 2121

Filed: January 30, 2006 : Examiner: R. Jarrett

Title: METHOD TO INCREASE THE SAFETY INTEGRITY LEVEL OF A CONTROL

SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final office action issued August 7, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: